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The struggle between pro-Tito and pro-Cominform Yugoslavs in Argentina for centrol of Communist Yugoslav immigrants is reported to be increasing in intensity. The two major Yugoslav Communist organizations, Consejo Central Yugoeslavo and Yugoeslavia Libre, have fallen under the influence of Cominform sympathizers.

Fro-Tito Yugoslava held a meeting recently at the suggestion of the Yugoslav Legation in Buenos Aires. It was agreed that the Consejo Central Tugoeslavo and Yugoeslavia Libre would not be recognized. An organizing committee was elected to convene a Second Conference of Yugoslav Immigrants in Argentins. The following were elected to the committee:

Rude Mikulicie

President

Emilio Semulic Antonio Paparela First Vice-President Second Vice-President

Petar Zanetic

Secretary General

Mateo Zeferin

Jecretary for Organization -

Ivo Sagunie

Secretary for Propaganda and Newspapers

Franc Stoker

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Mario Medvescek

Assistant Treasurer

Paula Pezelj

Recording Secretary

All of the officers elected were Croats, with the exception of the Stevenes, Semulic and Stekar. Rude Mikulicic and Antonio Paparela were formerly president of Consejc Central Yugoeslavo and Yugoeslavia Libre, respectively. Also present at the meeting were Bogden Popovic, First Secretary of the Yugoslav Legation and Mateo Bojanic, prominent Yugoslav Communist.

3. A subsequent report has stated that Ivo Sazunic, a member of the Communication front organization Union Eslava, was condemned by the Union Eslava for trips which he has made to the Slav colonies in the interior of Argentina to propagandize in favor of a new central Yugoslav organization among Yugoslav immigrants.

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- 4. The day following the clash between pro-Tito and pro-Cominform delegates to the Third Slav Congress on 23 March, the Congress convened at the headcuarters of the Yugoslav Red Cross, Avenida Santa Fe 2944, Buenos Aires. The Congress lasted one day. Pro-Cominform Yugoslav delegates from the interior of Argentina were urged to take energetic steps against pro-Tito Yugoslava and to obstruct any measures issued by the Yugoslav Legation in Buenos Aires.
- 5. The 23 March incident has caused considerable discord among the Yugoslavs in Argentina. The pro-Cominform group has blamed the Yugoslav Legation for the entire affair. This element claims that the Congress would have consured Tito and that the Yugoslav Legation had orders from Belgrade to prevent such action. Another claim of this group is that certain former members of the Polish armed forces provoked the disorder. The pro-Tito group, on the other hand, blames "Yugoslav fascists", a theory which is reportedly being advanced by Ivo Kovasevic of the Yugoslav Legation.

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